Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—You do not consider this enquiry is in accordance to public good.

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—No.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—What are your reasons for it?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—The reasons are so obvious. I do not take up the time of the House by referring to them. I do not think it will serve any public good. That is the opinion of the Government. We have to spend a large amount of public money, a lot of time to examine all the records and what is the good it is going to serve?

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Do you mean to say.....

President.—Questions should be addressed to the Chair.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—The grounds on which the Member for Revenue talked that an enquiry of this kind would serve no public good.

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—That is the opinion of the Government.

88. **Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the total number of land-holdings of the State above 50 acres in area and under the direct management of the single proprietor;

(b) the respective area of each of the first 12 land-holdings that top the list of (a);

(c) the percentage of (a) that is absolutely free from encumbrances and liabilities;

(d) the encumbrances, exact to rupees, annas, pies of each of (b);

(e) the personal liabilities of each of the proprietors in (b);

(f) with reference to a, b, c, d, and e whether the Government intend to fix a maximum above which the land must be leased to the less fortunate of the community;

(g) whether the Government are aware that (f) will be a most modest and partial interference on their part, in their compaign against poverty;

(h) whether they are aware that any Government that hesitate to take the gentle step, suggested in (f) have no right to call themselves a civilized Government?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—(a) to (e) The Member is referred to the answer to sub-division (a) of question No. 87.

(f) to (h) No.

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